

MAPLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

June 16, 2020 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Borell

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Todd Borell, Deb Geyen, Heather Kadlec, Kirk Larson, and Kristen Logas.

Absent: None

Others Present: City Administrator Sabrina Hille, Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Borell, Public Works Director Jerry Sawatzke, City Attorney Phil Gravel, and City Attorney Dave Anderson

OPEN FORUM

Riley Decker was present on behalf of the Maple Lake Lakers requesting permission to allow Irish Stadium to open following the MN Baseball Association guidelines, which would allow the Lakers to begin playing scrimmage and exhibition baseball games.

A motion was m/s/p, Larson/Geyen, to open Irish Stadium to allow the Lakers to play, provided they follow the MN State Baseball Association Covid-19 Preparedness plan. All present voted in favor.

The City is looking to purchase a new loader and has a proposal from John Deere and Ziegler. Dave Carothers from Ziegler presented the benefits of the CAT Loader to the Council.

AGENDA APPROVAL

A motion was m/s/p, Kadlec/Larson, to approve the agenda as written. All present voted in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the 6/2/2020 Workshop and Special Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of the 5/19/2020 Minutes
- c. Approval of 6/16/2020 Disbursement List, May Check Register, May Financials and Liquor Financials
- d. Approval of Engineer's Report
- e. Oak Ave 2020 Water Main Project Update
- f. Approval of P & Z Report
- g. TKDA May Airport Master Plan and ALP Update
- h. TKDA Payment
- i. Liquor Store Report – Ang Berthiaume
- j. Gambling License
 - Saint Timothy's Fall Festival 9/25/2020

A motion was m/s/p, Larson/Kadlec, to approve the consent agenda. All present voted in favor.

WRIGHT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

No one was present.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

a. Administrative Report – Sabrina Hille

Hille stated staff is working on finishing the audit and Schlenner Wenner will be at the July council meeting to present the audit. Staff has also been working on the Airport Layout Plan, with a Technical Advisory Committee meeting in the upcoming month. Staff is also working on economic development. Staff are back working in the office now.

b. Maintenance Report – Jerry Sawatzke

- **Downtown Trees**

Sawatzke stated that the trees on Birch Ave are ruining the sidewalk. He couldn't get a price on taking them out. All the people he contacted said it would be based on time and material. SP Electric quoted a price of \$300 per tree to remove the electrical. Sawatzke stated there is not room to take out the trees without removing sidewalk, curb, and street. Council suggested Sawatzke check with other companies for a cost to remove them and get on someone's schedule.

- **Full Oak Ave Water Main Replacement**

Gravel stated there was a water main break on the existing water main on Oak north of 7th St NW. The recommendation is to replace this water main segment as part of the county project. The cost to extend the new 8-inch main northward from 7th St NW to the existing main on 8th St NW is \$45,000.

Gravel also stated that Wright County has decided to modify the paving section for Oak Ave within the city limits. This change will save the City \$33,000.

A motion was m/s/p, Borell/Larson, to extend the water main from 7th St NW to 8th St NW at a cost of \$45,000. All present voted in favor.

Sawatzke stated that watering ban needs to be enforced, and residents with new seed and sod need to get a watering permit.

Sawatzke stated that the loader needs to be replaced. The John Deere proposal was \$24,861 less than the CAT. It is in the budget and the maintenance department would like to purchase the John Deere.

A motion was m/s/p, Larson/Borell, to approve the purchase of a new John Deere 624L Loader for a cost of \$231,769 less the trade in of \$106,000 for a final price of \$125,769

A discussion was had regarding the benefits of the CAT over the John Deere. Fred Jude questioned the cost to run the John Deere for 13 years compared to the CAT.

Larson and Borell rescinded their motion and second.

Sawatzke will do more research and bring it to the next Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Lark Drive Purchase Agreement

The City Council discussed the offer from Weese Construction to purchase PID 110032003100, Lot 10, Block 3 Maplewood 4th Addition at the June 2nd Special Meeting in closed session.

A motion was m/s/p, Borell/Geyen, to adopt **Resolution 2020-13** to approve the purchase agreement from Weese Construction to purchase PID 110032003100, Lot 10, Block 3, Maplewood 4th Addition. 5 Ayes, Zero Nays.

b. Airport Minimum Standards Agreement

Sabrina stated that this is going to be removed until comments from MnDOT are received and Dave can review the document.

c. Airport Hangar C-5 Expansion

Sawatzke stated It would be built over the drainage ditch. Concerns were also raised from other airport users on construction and drainage and would like to see more information. Greg Thomes stated that since the Airport committee meeting, they have discussed being allowed to build hangars behind Shaddock's hangar and remove the C-5 hangar. Gravel stated that at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting TDKA will be proposing hangar expansion and suggested waiting on any further discussions until after the meeting.

d. Closed Session - 600 6th St NW

Statement by Mayor Todd Borell: "We are going into a closed session pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.05, subdivision 3(c)(3) to discuss an offer and possible counteroffer regarding the City's potential sale of Wright County PID 110043002040, which is located on 6th Street NW and is legally described as Lot 4, Block 2, Jude's Industrial Park 6th Addition, Wright County, Minnesota."

The regular meeting closed at 8:12 pm.

Discussion was had on the potential sale of 600 6th St NW.

The regular meeting reopened at 8:35 pm.

Miscellaneous /Other Business

a. 2020 Water Main Update

Phil Gravel gave the update during the Maintenance Report

b. Trailer Park Abatement

Geyen asked where the abatement process is at from 2018. Two of the three trailers were demolished and removed, the third was left for remodeling. No remodeling has happened yet. Council asked staff to talk with Jerry about which trailers that should be abated this time. Staff was requested to send the City's Abatement Process to Dave for review.

c. Nuisance Violations

Geyen stated that there needs to be a plan on how to process violations. A discussion was had on what to do next, and it was decided that the City Tour should start again. Hille will get costs from M & M for shuttle services.

d. Electronic Sign

Borell stated that before proceeding any further the State requirement and regulations need to be looked at. Hille stated she heard from the State and the setback is 100 feet from stop sign and nothing in right-away. The rest of the regulations are on the State's website.

e. Utility Penalties

Deputy Clerk Borell stated that if the Council wants to move forward with the annual Tax Certification then penalties and disconnect notices need to be put back in place instead of dropping a "bomb" certification letter in October.

A motion was m/s/p, Borell Kadlec, to begin penalties in July and disconnect notices and shut offs in August. All present voted in favor.

f. Regulatory Temporary Authorization

A discussion was held on the length of time the City should allow the Regulatory Temporary Authorization. The consensus was to continue until State says they can no longer do it.

g. Committee Reports

- Council Workshop – 6/2/2020

Borell stated that the City Council discussed Election Judge Pay, boulevard trees on Birch Ave S, sidewalk usage for retail, City issued cell phones and Utility penalties.

- Airport Commission - 6/4/2020

Hille stated that the Airport Commission discussed the Minimum Standards Agreement, the ALP and Master Plan status, expanding the EAA hangar, C-5, drones, and the fuel pump shelter.

Dates to Remember/Announcements

- City Council Workshop, Tuesday July 7, 2020, 7:00 pm
- City Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm
- Primary Election Tuesday, August 11, 2020
- General Election Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Adjournment

A motion was m/s/p, Geyen/Kadlec, to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. All present voted in favor.

Attest,


Deputy Clerk